

GREAT LAKES LEVELS UPDATE No. 48 JUNE 30, 1989

Rainfall in the Great Lakes basin was well above average in June. Lakes Michigan-Huron and Superior were near average; for the second month in a row Lakes Erie and Ontario were very wet. The reader is referred below to the table of estimated rainfall for the month of June.

Provisional Great Lakes Precipitation (inches)

		1900-88	_	% of
Basin	1989*	Average	Diff.	Ave.
Superior	3.3	3.3	0	100%
Mich-Huron	3.4	3.1	+0.3	110%
Erie	4.8	3.4	+1.4	140%
Ontario	4.8	3.0	+1.8	160%
Great Lakes	3.7	3.2	+0.5	115%
* Estimate	ed			

The National Weather Service forecasts rainfall in July to be near average for Lake Ontario and the northwest half of

Lake Erie basins, and below average elsewhere. The forecast for temperatures in July is above average for the western half of the Lake Superior basin and near average elsewhere.

Water levels for Lakes Superior and Michigan-Huron are near average for this time of year and are expected to remain close to their seasonal levels. All of the other Lakes are well above average. Lake Erie rose about four inches in June, primarily because of continued heavy rains. Lake Ontario rose over six inches in June, nearly eight inches above average.

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